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**Subject:** Dear Ms. Hesse,

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Concerning the solicitation for public comments on the Microsoft antitrust suit settlement, as an independent citizen with no financial interest in Microsoft, I urge you to settle the case as soon as possible in the least restrictive way possible. Adam Smith came up with a system that works. Microsoft has clearly the spirit of capitalism to heart to create products that enjoy public support. Even as someone who prefers Unix/Linux Operating Systems to Windows, I recognize that Microsoft has been successful in giving the public what it wants. Any attempts to punish them for their success will continue to retard the tech. Industry at a point in time where the economy does not need any more artificial restraints. Please remove the uncertainty hanging over the technology sector, and allow the benefits of innovation and productivity improvement to continue to grow unabated.

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